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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 00-505-I)

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

Hillman, *et al.*

Serial No. 10/092,243

Filed: March 6, 2002

Title Identification of Microbial
Polynucleotides Expressed During
Infection of a Host

) Examiner: Shibuya

) Group Art Unit: 1639

) Confirmation No.: 9604

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

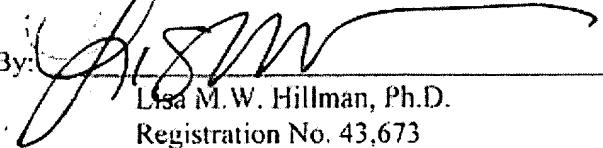
Dear Sir:

In regard to the above identified application,

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
 - a) Response to Office Action mailed March 19, 2005;
 - b) Oath/Declaration;
 - c) Copy of Assignment (00-505B)
 - d) Copy of Assignment (00-505I)
2. With respect to fees:
 - a) It is believed no fee is due at this time.
3. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION: Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
4. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.10: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described in paragraph 1 hereinabove, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service under Express Mail Label No. EV596660200US in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on June 16, 2005.

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed on March 19, 2005 in the above-mentioned application. It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this filing; however, if a fee is due the Commissioner is authorized to charge our deposit account number 13-2490.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.